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Marlene H. Dortch
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th St., S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: ***WC Dkt. No. 12-63: Joint Petition of Price Cap Holding Companies for Conversion of Average Schedule Affiliates to Price Cap Regulation and Limited Waiver Relief***

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On July 12, 2012, as a follow-up to questions raised in a July 3, 2012, meeting about the proposed rates that would equate to pre-July 1, 2012, NECA settlement levels,¹ I emailed the attached responses to Doug Slotten, Deena Shetler, and Victoria Goldberg. ("Attachment 1"). This correspondence also included a revised version of the previously-filed proposed rates, which is also included in Attachment 1. The responses were a result of a collaboration between the Joint Petitioners. The July 3, 2012, meeting consisted of Mike Shultz of Consolidated Communications and Russ Blau representing Consolidated Communications, Tim Loken of Windstream Communications, and Kathleen Q. Abernathy, EVP External Affairs, Frontier Communications, and the undersigned meeting with the following members of the Wireline Competition Bureau ("WCB"): Deena Shetler, Victoria Goldberg, Doug Slotten, and Christopher Koves. In that meeting the companies expressed appreciation for the WCB Staff's continued attention to the Joint Petition. The Joint Petitioners discussed interim and long-term possible actions associated with converting the Joint Petitioners to price cap regulation.

Pursuant to Section 1.1206(b) of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. §1.1206(b), this letter is being filed electronically with your office today.

Please feel free to contact me with any further questions.

¹ See Letter from Russell M. Blau, Attorney for Consolidated Communications, to Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary, FCC, WC Dkt. No. 12-63 at Exhibit A (filed May 14, 2012).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Michael Saperstein Jr." with a stylized flourish at the end.

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cc: Deena Shetler
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